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## Colts' Community Chronicle | Sept. 11 – Sept. 15

### Important Dates

#### Thursday, September 14

Student Photo Day

#### Thursday, September 14

Meet the Teacher Evening –  
6:00pm

#### Friday, September 15

Terry Fox Run

#### Thursday, September 21

School Council Meeting – 7:00pm

#### Friday, September 22

Non-Instructional Day

#### Thursday, September 28

Orange Shirt Day

#### Friday, September 29

Non-Instructional Day – National  
Day for Truth and Reconciliation

#### FRIDAY SCHEDULE (Sept. 15)

DAY B Periods 1, 3, 5

#### Notes from Administration

**Please continue to monitor your health. Do not come to school if you are ill.**

#### A..E. Cross Attendance

When reporting student attendance issues, including lates, absences and leave early, please call the main line and press extension 1 for the attendance line. Remember to spell the last name of the student and leave the reason for the absence, late or leave early.

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## STAFFING INFORMATION

We want to welcome a new member to the A.E. Cross Community. Ms. Puja Vij will be joining Rooms 29 and 30 as an educational assistant to support our PLP program. We're thrilled to have her as part of our staff.

## COLTS ATHLETICS

For all Athletic information visit [A.E. Cross School Athletic Website](#)

### **Cross Country**

- First Meet of the Season – Wednesday, September 13 at Stanley Park

### **Boys and Girls Soccer**

- Please check in with your coaches for practice and game schedules

### **Junior Boys Basketball**

- Tryout – Tuesday, September 12 – 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
- Tryout – Thursday, September 14 – 7:45 AM to 9:00 AM

### **Senior Boys Basketball**

- Tryout – Tuesday, September 12 – 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
- Tryout – Thursday, September 14 – 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM

### **Junior and Senior Girls Basketball**

- Tryouts will be Monday, Sept 11 and Wednesday Sept 13 from 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

If you have any further questions please contact Jace Richards at [jarichards@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:jarichards@cbe.ab.ca)

## A.E. CROSS SCHOOL CLOTHING

The on-line virtual store to purchase A.E. Cross clothing and gym strips is open and will remain open until September 15<sup>th</sup>. The virtual store can be found at the link below:

[A.E. Cross School Physical Education Apparel](#)

Items will be available for pickup at the school after September 21.



## BELL SCHEDULE 2023-2024

| <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>AE Cross</b><br/> <b>Bell Schedule</b><br/> <b>2023-2024</b> </div> |                   |        |                 |                   |        |                   |                |        |                  |                   |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|--------|------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Monday - Day A                                                                                           |                   |        | Tuesday - Day B |                   |        | Wednesday - Day A |                |        | Thursday - Day B |                   |        |
| Halls Open                                                                                               | 9:00 am           |        | Halls Open      | 9:00 am           |        | Halls Open        | 9:00 am        |        | Halls Open       | 9:00 am           |        |
| Warning Bell                                                                                             | 9:05 am           |        | Warning Bell    | 9:05 am           |        | Warning Bell      | 9:05 am        |        | Warning Bell     | 9:05 am           |        |
| <b>Period 1</b>                                                                                          | 9:10 - 10:07 am   | 57 min | <b>Period 3</b> | 9:10 - 10:07 am   | 57 min | <b>Period 1</b>   | 9:10-10:02 am  | 52 min | <b>Period 5</b>  | 9:10 - 10:07 am   | 57 min |
| <b>Period 2</b>                                                                                          | 10:10 - 11:07 am  | 57 min | <b>Period 4</b> | 10:10 - 11:07 am  | 57 min | <b>Period 2</b>   | 10:05-10:57 am | 52 min | <b>Period 6</b>  | 10:10 - 11:07 am  | 57 min |
| <b>Period 3</b>                                                                                          | 11:10-12:07 pm    | 57 min | <b>Period 5</b> | 11:10-12:07 pm    | 57 min | <b>RTI</b>        | 11:00-11:30 am | 30 min | <b>Period 1</b>  | 11:10-12:07 pm    | 57 min |
| Lunch Break                                                                                              | 12:07 - 12:50 pm  | 43 min | Lunch Break     | 12:07 - 12:50 pm  | 43 min | <b>Period 3</b>   | 11:33-12:25 pm | 52 min | Lunch Break      | 12:07 - 12:50 pm  | 43 min |
| Warning Bell                                                                                             | 12:48 pm          |        | Warning Bell    | 12:48 pm          |        | Lunch Break       | 12:25-1:05 pm  | 40 min | Warning Bell     | 12:48 pm          |        |
| <b>Period 4</b>                                                                                          | 12:53 - 1:50 pm   | 57 min | <b>Period 6</b> | 12:53 - 1:50 pm   | 57 min | Warning Bell      | 1:03 pm        |        | <b>Period 2</b>  | 12:53 - 1:50 pm   | 57 min |
| <b>Period 5</b>                                                                                          | 1:53 pm - 2:50 pm | 57 min | <b>Period 1</b> | 1:53 pm - 2:50 pm | 57 min | <b>Period 4</b>   | 1:08-2:00 pm   | 52 min | <b>Period 3</b>  | 1:53 pm - 2:50 pm | 57 min |
| <b>Period 6</b>                                                                                          | 2:53 pm - 3:50 pm | 57 min | <b>Period 2</b> | 2:53 pm - 3:50 pm | 57 min | <b>Period 5</b>   | 2:03-2:55 pm   | 52 min | <b>Period 4</b>  | 2:53 pm - 3:50 pm | 57 min |
| Clear Halls                                                                                              | 4:00 PM           |        | Clear Halls     | 4:00 PM           |        | <b>Period 6</b>   | 2:58-3:50 pm   | 52 min | Clear Halls      | 4:00 PM           |        |
|                                                                                                          |                   |        |                 |                   |        | Clear Halls       | 4:00 PM        |        |                  |                   |        |

Alternating Friday Schedule of Classes:  
 Day A 135  
 Day A 246  
 Day B 135  
 Day B 246

## BELL SCHEDULE NOTES

- Mondays and Wednesdays will be Day A and students will attend their Day A options
- Tuesdays and Thursdays will be Day B and students will attend their Day B options
- Fridays have a rotating schedule and will alternate between different classes – this rotation will be posted throughout the school to help students out
- RTI Block (Wednesdays – 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM)
  - This 30 minute block will evolve throughout the school year to include interventions for students that are struggling academically with certain outcomes
  - However, for the month of September, we will be using this 30 minute block for students to learn and talk with their homeroom teachers about prepared topics
  - Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> – Terry Fox Run Preparation
  - Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – Bullying Prevention Information
  - Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> – Orange Shirt Day Preparation
  - We will explore possible interventions at the beginning of October for this block of time



## LUNCHTIME EXPECTATIONS

Lunchtime at A.E. Cross School runs from 12:07 PM to 12:48 PM each Monday to Thursday. The structure of the lunch hour works as follows:

**12:07 PM – 12:25 PM** – Students are welcome to eat lunch within the school on the main floor. The hallways, cafeteria and courtyard are available for student use during this time. Please note that there is currently no food service available to students at lunchtime. On days where the weather cooperates, students are also welcome to eat outside on school property.

**12:25 PM – 12:48 PM** – Students will be asked to go outside during this time period. It will be important that students get appropriate clothing from their lockers right at the end of the morning classes as the upper level of the school will be closed beginning at 12:10 PM.

**WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION**, students are able to leave campus for lunch time. To minimize the number of students visiting our community neighbours, different grade groups can leave campus on specified days.

- Tuesdays – Grade 7 students
- Wednesdays – Grade 8 students
- Thursdays – Grade 9 students

Should students leave campus, it is an expectation that they are respectful to our community neighbours as they are representatives of A.E. Cross School. Ms. Wiseman and Mr. Lewis visited all businesses around the school to introduce ourselves and the businesses will contact us if there is something that we need to follow up on.

- Students should not loiter at the businesses and they should buy their lunch and return to school property
- Should students be abusing their off-campus privileges by causing disruptions in the community or are consistently late upon return to school after lunch, privileges to leave at lunch may be taken away
- Back alleys and private yards are off-limits to students
- **PLEASE NOTE – A.E. CROSS SCHOOL DOES NOT PROVIDE SUPERVISION TO STUDENTS THAT ARE OFF CAMPUS AT LUNCHTIME.**
- Students will not leave campus on Fridays during nutrition break (11:33 AM – 11:48 AM) so please ensure that they come to school with a snack.

## MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

Meet the Teacher evening is scheduled for Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Our staff is looking forward to welcoming you into the school and into their classrooms that evening. A tentative schedule for the evening is as follows:



- 5:45 PM – Main Gym Doors Open
- 6:00 PM – 6:20 PM – Welcome and Introductions by Administration
- 6:20 PM – 7:30 PM – Informal exploration of the school to meet their child's teachers

## PRINCIPAL'S ADVISORY COUNCIL

### What is the Principal Advisory Council?

The Principal Advisory Council is a group of students in grades 7, 8 and 9 who meet once or twice a month to advise me, your principal, on various issues relating to A.E. Cross School. At times, students might be invited to present at a staff meeting or a department meeting.

As your principal, I wish to hear a wide range of student voice. **ALL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME.**

Applications for the Principal Advisory Council are available at the main office or you can find a copy of the application attached to this message. Please fill out the application by Monday, September 18, 2023 at 4:00 pm. The list of students selected for the Principal Advisory Council will be posted by the main office on Wednesday, September 20, 2023.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

*Save the Date: **Thursday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 7pm** - A.E. Cross School Council and Parents' Association Meeting. In person at the school.*

**Do you have skills and time to share with the School Council or the Parent's Association this school year?** We welcome anyone interested in an informal or formal role to email us at [aecrosscouncil@gmail.com](mailto:aecrosscouncil@gmail.com). During the June AGM an executive was elected and we have a number of other volunteers who have offered to fill other roles (thank you!). Some of the roles that we are still looking for are below - we welcome you to join us as many hands make light work! Many positions do not require attendance at the regular meetings and can be done from home or the roles can be shared.

We are looking for volunteer(s) for the following positions (no experience needed!):

### **Association:**

- **Casino Coordinator:** Coordinate details of casino events, ensures compliance with licensing conditions and works in conjunction with AGLC to obtain and maintain a gaming license for the Province of Alberta. We just completed a casino event (thank you volunteers!) so this position will have minimal work for this school year and then would involve coordination of the next casino event which is expected in about 18 months.
- **Shadow Treasurer to take over role in 2024-25:** Our current treasurer is graduating from the school after this school year. We are proactively looking for a Treasurer who could shadow the role and take over for next school year.



### **Council:**

- **Council of School Councils (COSC) Liaison:** Attend COSC meetings (last year they were all virtual) and provide update on key items to at the general meetings.
- **Band Liaison:** Act as liaison between the School Council and the Music Parent's Association (your child must be registered in band)
- **Spanish Liaison:** Support and advocate for the students in the Spanish program and act as liaison between the School Council, school administration and the Spanish program.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Recruit and co-ordinate parent and community volunteers at the school and to ensure that all volunteers have appropriate police clearance to perform volunteer duties at the school.
- **Staff Appreciation Coordinator(s):** Spearhead and organize staff appreciation events.
- **Fundraising Coordinator(s):** Co-ordinate fundraising activities and social events that encourage school spirit among students, staff and parents.
- **Grant Writer and/or Coordinator(s):** Research, coordinate, support and/or write grants. One focus for this will be on grants to support revitalization/replacement/improvement of technology at AEC over the coming years.
- **Communications Coordinator:** Oversee Council and Association communication and liaise with administration on school communications.
- **Grade 9 Farewell Committee Coordinator(s):** Liaise with school to support organization of Grade 9 Farewell to be held in June 2024.
- **Back Up Shopper:** Shop for approved items on an as needed basis (reimbursed). Examples include: chew and chat supplies, event supplies, snack cupboard items, etc.

## **SCHOOL FORMS**

There are a variety of different forms that parents are asked to complete at the start of each school year. The completion of these forms has been moved online to SchoolEngage. The following forms can be completed via SchoolEngage:

- Demographic Verification Form
- Annual Authorization Form, which includes:
  - School District Use of Personal Information
  - Consent for CBE Use of Student Information
  - Consent for Use of Student Information by News Media and Outside Groups (Third Party)

SchoolEngage can be accessed through the following link: [SchoolEngage](#)

Should you need any of the above forms printed for you, please contact the main office.



## STUDENT PHOTOS

Our photography partners from Lifetouch will be at A.E. Cross on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> to take student photos. Students will be called to the West Gym with their homeroom to have their photos done. Lifetouch will return to the school on October 17<sup>th</sup> for retakes.

## TERRY FOX RUN

On Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, students of A.E. Cross will participate in the annual Terry Fox Run around our school field. We will also be accepting donations for Cancer research on that day. We look forward to honouring Terry Fox on Friday.

## VOLUNTEERING AT A.E. CROSS

There will be activities done at A.E. Cross that require parent volunteers. In order to volunteer for events occurring at the school, parents must complete an [Annual Volunteer Registration Form](#).

Are you good at directing teenagers? We need your help on photo day to help organize students. If you are available for some or all of the day on **Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** to support photo day please contact Karin at [kpvanvliet@hotmail.com](mailto:kpvanvliet@hotmail.com) / 587-438-3922. Police clearance is required for this. Call the office if you need to confirm status. Thanks!

